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Baltimore; crew, 33; passengers, none; Norwegian steamship *Romsdal*, for north of Hatteras; crew, 20; passengers, none. May 30, British steamship *Floridian*, for New Orleans; crew, 42; passengers, none; Spanish steamship *Martin Saenz*, for New Orleans; crew, 51; passengers, none; American steamship *Santiago*, for New York; crew, 50; passengers, 3. May 31, British steamship *Mexicano*, for Philadelphia; crew, 22; passengers, none; Norwegian steamship *Sanna*, for Pensacola; crew, 27; passengers, none.

The sanitary condition of the port is good.

Respectfully,

JOS. GOLDBERGER,  
*Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.*

The SURGEON-GENERAL,  
*U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.*

TAMPICO, MEXICO, *June 2, 1902.*

SIR: I have the honor to report that during the week ended May 31, 1902, there were recorded in the office of the Juez Civil a total of 14 deaths—affections of the gastro-intestinal tract, 6; malaria (including pernicioso), 4; tuberculosis, 1; other causes, 3. There were no cases or deaths from any of the quarantinable diseases reported during the same period.

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*Reports from Vera Cruz—Action of superior board of health in regard to extermination of mosquitoes.*

VERA CRUZ, MEXICO, *May 25, 1902.*

SIR: I have the honor to make the following report for the week ended May 24: Thirty six cases and 15 deaths were reported from yellow fever; 1 case and 3 deaths from smallpox, and 58 deaths from all causes. There has been no fever among the shipping, notwithstanding the fact that the crews number about 300 all told, with a very small percentage of immunes. Unofficially I have learned that the superior board of health of Mexico has appropriated \$500 monthly to be used to exterminate the mosquitoes in and about Vera Cruz. I will write any facts about this departure whenever I can get them.

Respectfully,

S. H. HODGSON,  
*Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.*

The SURGEON-GENERAL,  
*U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.*

VERA CRUZ, MEXICO, *May 31, 1902.*

SIR: I have the honor to make the following report for the week ended May 31: From yellow fever there were reported 35 cases and 13 deaths, from smallpox 2 cases and 1 death, and 49 deaths from all causes. During the month of May there were reported 107 cases and 48 deaths from yellow fever and 11 cases and 8 deaths from smallpox, and a total mortality from all causes of 258. The rainy season has about set in and will be followed by an increase in the number of stegomyia, and if the nonimmune material hold out there will be an increase in the epidemic. The smallpox situation seems to be about under control, and as the cases have been among the lower classes, who seldom travel, there is

little chance of the disease being exported by sea. The health conditions in the shipping continue good.

Respectfully,

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#### NICARAGUA.

*Weekly reports of conditions and transactions at Bluefields—Fruit port.*

BLUEFIELDS, NICARAGUA, *May 18, 1902.*

SIR: I have the honor to make the following report of the conditions and transactions at this port during the week ended May 18, 1902:

Present officially estimated population, 4,000. Number of cases and deaths from yellow fever during the week, none; number of cases and deaths from smallpox during the week, none; number of cases and deaths from typhus fever during the week, none; number of cases and deaths from cholera during the week, none; number of cases and deaths from plague during the week, none; number of deaths from other causes during the week, 1. Prevailing diseases, none. General sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week, very good.

Bills of health were issued to the following vessels: May 15, steamship *Nicaragua*, crew, 19; passengers from this port, none; passengers in transit, none; baggage disinfected, none. May 18, steamship *Geo. W. Kelly*, crew, 19; passengers from this port, none; passengers in transit, none; baggage disinfected, none.

Respectfully,

D. W. GOODMAN,

*Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.*

The SURGEON-GENERAL,

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BLUEFIELDS, NICARAGUA, *May 25, 1902.*

SIR: I have the honor to make the following report of the conditions and transactions at this port during the week ended May 25, 1902:

Present officially estimated population, 4,000. Number of cases and deaths from yellow fever during the week, none; number of cases and deaths from smallpox during the week, none; number of cases and deaths from typhus fever during the week, none; number of cases and deaths from cholera during the week, none; number of cases and deaths from plague during the week, none; number of deaths from other causes during the week, none. Prevailing diseases—there are a few cases of a mild form of malarial fever, a majority of which were brought from adjoining districts. General sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week, very good.

Bills of health were issued to the following vessels: May 22, steamship *Utstein*, crew, 15; passengers from this port, none; passengers in transit, none; baggage disinfected, none. May 23, steamship *Banan*, crew, 22; passengers from this port, none; passengers in transit, none; baggage disinfected, none. May 25, steamship *Esther*, crew, 19; passengers from this port, 6; passengers in transit, none; baggage disinfected, 9 pieces.

Respectfully,

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